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THE COWARD'S PRAYER

od of all the men who've lived and fought since
life was young.
o loved and hated honestly and died with fame un-
sung;
o knew the bitter fear of death, of darkness and of
night,
who were smiling valiantly when they went forth
to fight—
Thee I make my prayer and beg, though downward
lies my curve
t tends toward failure and defeat, let me not lose
my nerve.
ord of all the cowards who have known the pang
of fear,
o trembled when Goliath with his mighty sword
drew near;
ose feet were all for turning and for ignominious
flight,
who remained to stand their ground and win the
desperate fight—
bended knee I pray to Thee that it may not be
writ
ugh legions came against me that I ever lost my
grit.

CHINESE STARVING TO DEATH

esident Wilson has sent the following telegram to
ident Barrows of the University of California:
he seriousness of the famine situation in China
led me today to make public a statement in regard
and to point out that unless outside aid is speedi-
fforded, the loss in human life will be appalling.
eving that the suffering and plight of this friendly
on will appeal to the compassion and bounty of
countrymen I have nominated a famine relief
mittee to lend the weight of their names to the
for securing popular subscriptions for relief. I
taken the liberty of naming you as a member of
committee, and feeling assured that its duties will
prove onerous, I venture to trust you will find it
ible to serve."
esident Barrows in accepting the appointment,
d: "I eagerly accept your invitation to serve on
Famine Relief Committee for North China and am
y instantly to assist in any plans which your Com-
ee may resolve upon."
e committee will take prompt steps to secure a
subscription from this country; millions of lives
nd upon our generous and quick action. Already
Chinese of San Francisco have sent over $100,-
for relief work, but that is a mere drop in the
et.

A MANAGER OR A PROPHET

Some [illegible]isters have told me they could not possibly get t[illegible] work done without a car, even in those cases whe[illegible]hey had only one sermon a week to prepare. T[illegible]us who prepare two, and sometimes three sermons a week, this needs some explanation, for many of us have also our visiting to do, often over widely scattered areas. The explanation was, however, forthcoming, and it seems to me that there is a great deal more "business" done by American than by English preachers. I do not offer it as a criticism (my knowledge is too limited), but I leave it as a query: Are there not cases where the minister is much more the business manager of an institution than the prophet of deep truth?

Sometimes when I have seen his office, and telephones and clerks and motor car, I have asked myself, Does this man have time to realize his own soul, and its need of the silence in which the great things of religion come through? What place in his bustling life has that deep communing behind the scenes in which the roots of spirituality strike into the soil of the eternal, and out of which he would come to his people with the words of a personal religion matured in fellowship with God? Is he running a "plant" or feeding a church?—Rhondda Williams in the Congregationalist.

A MOST WORTHY JUDGE

San Francisco has reason to be proud of one magistrate at least, and as grateful as proud. The worthy and brave man is Superior Judge Louis H. Ward who has had before him the Howard street gangsters. He has conducted his court in a most commendable fashion, with dignity, with justice and withal with firmness. We know not what pressure may have been brought to bear upon him. We surely may believe that if there were a flaw any where in his armor it would have been found.

Without undue severity and with no evidence of weakness or faltering he has gone through these cases in a manner that makes every right-minded citizen of this commonwealth to carry himself with pride and satisfaction.

The day is coming, Judge Ward, when the state will show its confidence in you, by committing larger responsibilities to your keeping.

Said the Governor of Idaho, "I believe without prejudice that Idaho is better by several hundred per cent. than it was when the saloons were open, and I doubt if five per cent. of our people would go back to the old wet regime."

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TO SLEEP

Ere on my bed my limbs I lay
It hath not been my use to pray
With moving lips or bended knees;
But silently, by slow degrees,
My spirit I to Love compose,
In humble trust mine eyelids close,
With reverential resignation:
No wish conceived, no thought expressed,
Only a sense of supplication;
A sense o'er all my soul impressed
That I am weak yet not unblest,
Since in me, round me, everywhere
Eternal Strength and Wisdom are.

THE INDECENT FILM

Some film corporations have no conscience; "what sells, pays," is their motto. The result is that there are many films which are indecent, or suggestive, or at least have immoral patches in them.

Some show houses are strong in the desire to give to their patrons only clean and beneficial films; but these corrupt corporations put over on them what ever films they please.

The Christian Century calls attention to the effect of the movies upon child life; it is a matter of serious concern. The February Pictorial Review "deals with the influence of the movie upon juvenile delinquency." "The thing that is wrong with the movies," the Christian Century goes on to say, "is the thing that happens to all commercialized amusement. The horse race was once the diversion of the gentleman; it became the tool of gamblers. The movie business has fallen into the hands of the big producers."

The people have no control over the pictures that are shown to them. The theater is helpless. It is on a circuit, and has to take the pictures sent to it by the syndicates. Most of the heads of these syndicates are men without ideals; they are after the money. They have found that quick profits come to the questionable films; and they are alienating public favor for the sake of quick returns.

Christian fathers and mothers ought to stand in with the owners of show-houses who want to do the right thing; and they ought to stand out against the corporations who care not for morals but money. How can that be done.

Charles L. Kloss of the Plymouth church, Oakland gives this sane advice. "Call up by phone or writ to the manager of the theater whenever you see a offensive play." Leave it to him to come back o the film maker. Your protests will reach the ear they are intended for, before they stop their journey

Do not wait until you see a play that is indecen all the way through; there are few such plays. Bu whenever you catch a small scene that offends, spo that immediately and make your protest. It is a tim when good people should be heard and heeded.

ON RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

The following is a brief reading course in religiou education recommended to ministers, by Prof. Evar of the Pacific School of Religion.

For a first book, to get underlying principles an modern point of view in this field, read **Coe,** "A Soci Theory of Religious Education." This book will repa careful re-reading. A second book of general surve type, stimulating in point of view, is **Cope,** "Educ tion for Democracy." Both of the above books ha chapters on the basic agencies of society for religio education, such as the family, church, public schoo etc. A third book is by **Athearn,** "The Church School full of practical information and useful detail. Boo number four is concerned with the family, **Cope,** R ligious Education in the Family. If I **must** stop wi a fifth number, I would recommend an annual su scription to "Religious Education," Chicago.

A second group of special value to the minister wh wishes to become informed in the field of religious e ucation would include: **McKinley,** "Educational Eva gelism;" **Gates,** "Recreation and the Church;" **Bet** "How to Teach Religion;" **Hoben,** "Church School Citizenship;" **Cope,** "The School in the Mode Church;" **Galloway,** "Use of Motives in Morals a Religion;" **Weigle** and **Tweedy,** "Training the D votional Life."

Of course, some important books are omitted. D criminating bibliographies for further reading a found in most of the above volums.

A BIRTHDAY LUNCHEON.

Dr. William C. Pond sent to the Monday Club a p thetic letter of farewell, saying that his deafness h so grown upon him that he was unable to hear an thing that occured in the meeting. It was a beau ful missive, and brought forth a fitting expressi from the men present, who hoped that the veneral brother, with his 91 years, would still favor the cl with his presence when his health and strength wou permit.

The Monday Club gave a luncheon in San Francis First in honor of his approaching 91st birthday. considerable group of ministers and lay-folk sembled for the occasion. J. E. Agar, an acquaintan of Dr. Pond since 1860, pleasantly introduced t guest of honor. A very happy response in a remi cent mood was made by him.

H. H. Richards of the Oceanview church had be invited to be present but was prevented by illne The Club sent a message of sympathy and good v

one who was termed "Dr. Pond's twin brother," ause of the fact that they were born on the same e, February 27, 1830.

RANCH AND UNION QUARTERLY MEETING

he Woman's Missionary Union and the Northern nch held their quarterly meeting in Fruitvale on ruary 15. Mrs. Rathbone, field and box secre- y, reported a new church at Hayfork, and asked t churches notify her early in the fall of their lingness to prepare missionary boxes.

Miss Dessie Simpson, Young People's secretary, wed charts for use in Sunday schools, and urged appointment of a missionary secretary in each day school. Mrs. Goodsell reported work for the anish people at Redwood City; the pastor, Jose regas asks for books, games and magazines for work there. Mrs. O'Brien reported a new auxil- y at San Lorenzo.

Mrs. Jessie Heath spoke on "Christian Peptomists eded." Tipton, where Mrs. Heath is pastor, has a ulation of 145, but they have often 300 in attend- e at their community programs—people coming in m the surrounding country.

Miss Hartwell of Foochow brought the atmosphere China (metaphorically) into the meeting by col- d sketches and charming pictures of Foochow, also utiful embroideries for sale, the proceeds of which for a building on Beacon Hill Farm, a home for icate children from mission schools and orphanage. e feels the hope of the world for democracy is to ke China a true republic. "No nation is saved by eigners; we must educate the natives that they y save themselves."

THE MONDAY CLUB

The following is the tentative program, subject to ange, which has been proposed for March for the nday Ministers meeting.

March 7, Pacific School of Religion; program by e faculty.

March 14th. No meeting on account of the Bay sociation meeting at San Francisco Mission church the following day.

March 21. Out-door Day, at Oakland; Meet at st church at 9:30 for auto ride and picnic. Hot fee will be furnished; basket lunch.

March 28. At San Francisco First Church; reports Easter services.

UMBOLDT COUNTY SAVES REDWOOD GROVE

One of Humboldt County's choicest groves of Se- oia sempervirens, or Redwood, has just been ved for the enjoyment of posterity through the rchase of this grove by the County. The area pre- rved is known as the Dunn and Dimmick holding, d is situated on the South Fork of the Eel River joining the scenic state highway through Hum- ldt county.

The purchase of this Redwood tract is part of Hum- ldt county's program of cooperation with the Save e Redwoods League, which is endeavoring to se- cure the preservation of representative Redwood groves in the basin of the South Fork of the Eel river. The League, of which Franklin K. Lane is President, has with the cooperation of Humboldt County acquired several important pieces of Red- wood timber.

Many travelers and scientists have declared that the road through the Humboldt Redwoods is one of the great scenic highways of the world. They are enthusiastic advocates of the preservation of these trees.

Among the encouraging signs of the times is the re- port coming in so generally from our pastors throughout the state of improvement in the work and attendance of the Sunday schools. Some men re- port that their work among the young people was never so hopeful as now; many tell of increased attendance, and the enrollment of new scholars. It would seem that there had begun in many communi- ties a reaction from post-war conditions.

A LOVING TESTIMONY

The following resolution was adopted by the Mon- day Club at their January 17, meeting.

The San Francisco Congregational Ministers' Club records with gratitude the fellowship which it has had with two of its members who in the closing days of 1920 passed to the larger fellowship.

Rev. Emanuel Hoskins, whose death occurred Dec. 17th, in a service of more than fifty years in Cali- fornia, largely in pioneer fields, accomplished a quiet but effectual service for his Master whose fruit abides. In the spiritual maturity and serenity he entered into the joy of his Lord.

Rev. William D. MacDonald who in his strong young manhood suddenly slipped away on Sunday evening Dec. 26 achieved in his brief term of service as Director of Plymouth Center, Oakland, a work for the young which has few parallels. Winsome, hope- ful, devoted, with a rare sympathy for youth, he gave himself to others with such wholeheartedness as to win the love of all who knew him, and to fit him for still larger service.

We rejoice in the work of these two beloved brethern and in our fellowship with them.

THE CARE OF SOULS

Protestantism broke with the confessional, and under the circumstances rightly or at least excusably. But Protestantism did not put anything in its place that was adequate, and that was wrong,—whether ex- cusable or not I will not say. For the confessional the evangelical Protestant has substituted "conversion" and the Liberal has substituted "instruction." But neither conversion nor instruction adequately meets the need that the confessional at its best did not wholly fail of.—Rev. Wm. G. Elliot, Jr.

No citizen of this country, foreign or native born, should be allowed to pass his school years without some portion of his education gained in America's public schools.—Rabbi Stephen Wise.

THE CHURCH AT HAYFORK.

THE HIGH SCHOOL BUILDING.

In the heart of the mountains of Trinity county, seventy-five miles from the railroad, lies the fertile though oft times inadequately watered valley of Hayfork. The great wooded hills which enclose the valley are very beautiful. The approaches to this "Heart of the Mountains," over long grades, by deep canyons, through great forests is wonderfully fascinating.

Who live here? Just good plain Americans. Not many of them. They have a good Grammar school with three teachers; a branch High school with two teachers. The building at the head of this article is that in which at present the High school assembles. Here also the people gather Sunday mornings for Sunday school and twice a month for preaching. Mr. Riley the pastor of the County comes over the twenty nine miles from Weaverville for the preaching service. He is the pastor of the valley as well.

This valley is not yet lighted by electricity. Water is not piped to houses here. It is a plain, country, and hard working community. They are planning for a church. The newly organized church of twenty five members have raised fifteen hundred dollars for the new building. They had to take the lumber from a building which was bought in Weaverville and wrecked. The Building Society is helping. Still they need more.

Here is a photograph of the boys and girls of the High school. Do you want to help them and those who come later, to a permanent church home? If you do the pastor of the church or the Conference Superintendent will gladly forward your money to the proper destination.

ANOTHER VETERAN GONE

On January 14th at his home in La Messa, Calif., Rev. W. A. Waterman D. D. died from a disease that had long been making inroads upon his system. He was a little over 81 years of age. His was a very active life, 53 years being spent in the Christian ministry. He was a native of Massachusetts, his grandfather served in the Revolutionary army, and his great-grandfather was a Boston minister.

When President Lincoln called for 300,000 volunteers, he was one of the first two to go from his village. He rendered valiant service in the Civil War, and was wounded in its last battle at Petersburg in 1865. He has always been a prominent member of the G. A. R.

His pastorates have been chiefly in the middle west. He organized the San Diego Ocean Beach church. His friends will remember him as a genial large-hearted Christian gentleman, a preacher of power, whose presentation of truth was simple, strong and winning.

Besides the widow, he leaves two daughters, Mrs. O. W. Todd and Mrs. M. A. Frost, and eight grandchildren, and one great grandchild.

INCOME TAX

Only single persons whose net income for 1920 was less than $1,000 and married persons living with husband or wife whose net income was less than $2,000 are exempt from the requirement to file an income tax return, before March 15th.

The obligation to consider his own case and to file an income tax return on time, if one is due, is laid squarely on the shoulders of every resident of the United States. Guesswork is barred. The returns are sworn statements, and accuracy is essential. Salaried persons and wage earners must ascertain the actual compensation received. Bonuses, shares in the profits of a business, values of quarters and board furnished by an employer, and other items of compensation for services must be included.

The church is the only institution whose chief business is to perpetuate the character which Christ represented, and to save this world from its sin and woe.

Now is the time for the thirty-five million church members of America to take their responsibilities seriously.

We need more church members; but we also need better ones.

HAYFORK HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS

GOOD NEWS FROM THE CHURCHES

Francisco, First.

e pastor, Dr. J. L. Gordon, is very happy to an- nce that during his vacation—next June and y—his pulpit is to be filled by the Rev. Reginald J. mpbell of London. Dr. Campbell is one of the great achers of the world, and San Franciscans are to e a treat during those two months. During the r 1920 the loose collection of this church ex- ded $20,000; and they give promise of being ater during the present year.

kland, Plymouth.

e Wednesday evening meeting was given over to sideration of Sunday school problems. "We are the cross-roads in religious education, and many lize that while we are doing splendid work in s department, there is room for more thorough- ng teaching." The meeting was in the nature of arewell to Mr. A. U. Brandt who was retiring from Sunday school superintendency in which he had thfully served for more than four years. During 0 this church received 16 on confession and 37 letter. Charles L. Kloss is pastor.

dwood City.

er one hundred members were present at the an- al meeting; the ladies of the church had prepared ountiful dinner which contributed to the success the evening. The reports showed fine progress the year. Thirty-six new members had been re- ved and only eight removals, leaving the member- p at 305. The treasurer's report showed that $2800 l been raised for current expenses; $820 for regu- mission work; $200 for special work in Africa; l $623 for the starving children in Europe, making otal of $4443. The condition of the Sunday school s fine with 24 officers and teachers and 180 schol- s. The Endeavor and Woman's Work reports owed good active and results. Clarence H. Stevens pastor.

cific Grove, Mayflower.

e work is going along nicely; new life in the urch. The attendance in the Bible School on Febru- 6, was 155, the largest in a number of years. A al has been set of 200 members by April 1. The stor, T. H. Dodd has received 10 new members ce taking up the work. At the last communion partook at the Lord's Table.

kland, Fruitvale.

e annual meeting was well attended and full of pefulness. During the year attendance and mem- rship in both Church, Sunday School and Young oples' Meeting increased and it was a year of owing fellowship among the members and friends the church. The outstanding feature of the year s the celebration of the twenty-fifth anniversary the organization of the church. Inspiring services re held on the Sunday preceeding the exact date d on the date a dinner was given by the ladies of e church to all members and friends past and esent, the guests gathered from far and near d the social hall was crowded to capacity. Raymond Brooks of the First Church, Berkeley, was the speaker of the evening, the Fruitvale Church being a daughter of the Pilgrim Church, of which Dr. Brooks was formerly pastor. The occasion was used to secure pledges for the payment of a debt that had dragged the church down since the present build- ing was erected. So wonderfully did the people re- spond that now the church is without interest- bearing debt and owes nothing but to the Church Building Society. In spite of this and some needed improvements and repairs on the building the church contributed more to its apportionment than ever before, besides a large sum pledged to the Pilgrim Memorial Fund. The ladies Guild and the Mothers' Club also reported an unusually prosperous year. The election of officers showed a willingness on the part of all called upon to serve in the various positions. The new year opens with great encouragement. Charles F. Clarke is pastor.

Sunnyvalle.

After having been without a pastor since William Eccles resigned last fall, the church has voted a call to Rev. Frank A. Bissell of the Soquel church. Mr. Bissell has accepted the call and will begin work in March.

Ripon.

George G. Kessel, pastor. This church has been favored with a series of evangelistic meetings con- ducted by neighboring pastors, George H. Atkinson of Ceres and pastor Kidder of Salida.

Sunol.

This little group of people is happy over the resump- tion of work here. Russel R. Reukema, a freshman in the University of California, is to be at this place every Sunday to take charge of the Sunday school. One Sunday in the month he will preach. His wife, who is a daughter of Rev. W. J. Speers of the San Francisco Sunset church, will prove to be a valu- able assistant in this work.

Lodi.

Charles S. Price, pastor. A recent visitor at Lodi reports that the church is packed at the Sunday services, often the Sunday school has to be used to accommodate the crowds. A Men's Club has been or- ganized and at their first dinner 125 leading men of the community seat down together.

Fairfax, Marin Co.

A Sunday school has been conducted in this place for some months past with the help of students from the Presbyterian Seminary at San Anselmo. Recently the Dorcas Society, an active woman's organization, invited Associate Superintendent Dodge to visit them with the view of organizing a Community Church. This society has already on hand $300 for a church building. Mr. Dodge thinks there is a fine opening in this community for such a church.

Richmond, San Francisco.

This church has for a long time been without a per- manent pastor. Supt. Dodge has been caring for it during some months past. The church has received by cable the glad news that Rev. A. Craig Bowdish of Hawaii accepts their call to the pastorate and will probably begin work with the church about the mid- dle of April.

Oakland, Olivet.

Rev. H. Govette, has been pastor of this church only since Dec. 1 and already things are moving. The parsonage has been repaired and is now occupied by the pastor. The Sunday school is rapidly outgrowing its accomodations; the morning congregations frequently require the bringing in of extra chairs. The pastor has had the joy of receiving 43 new members into the organization.

Antioch.

The church is very happy over the acceptance of their call which they have voted to Mrs. Bertha Harris to become their pastor. Mrs. Harris has preached a few Sundays with great acceptance, some of the people saying that it is the most Christian preaching they have had for some time. Mrs. Harris and her husband were State evangelists for the Ohio Conference; but when her husband's health failed she felt that she would like to take a pastorate in California.

Stockton.

Prof. R. G. Aitken of Lick observatory delivered a lecture upon "An evening with the stars',, to a crowded house. February 6th was observed as Fellowship Sunday when two men and two women from the congregation occupied the pulpit speaking on "What the fellowship of the church means to me." Eighteen new members have been received recently, twelve on confession. A pastor's secretary has been provided by the church to assist in the work. H. H. Gill is pastor.

Ceres.

George E. Atkinson, pastor. The church is well-filled at the Sunday services with a fine proportion of men. We are trying to render a community service, the Boy-Scouts holding their meetings in the basement, and the Board of Trade also have their monthly banquets and business meetings in the church. The pastor serves as chairman of one of the committees of the Board of Trade and the officers generally attend the church services. The principal address at their Annual Meeting and Ladies Night was given by the pastor. The church prayer meetings have been revived and the attendance is good, sometimes fully one-third of the membership being present, which is a fine record for a church whose people are living in the country and at a distance.

Claremont.

Rev. G. A. Neeld of Ohio has been called to the pastorate of this church. He has accepted to begin work on the first of next August. Until that time Dr. J. H. Williams will continue to supply the church. Mr. Neeld is at present the director of the School of Religion at the University of Ohio.

WOMAN'S BOARDS COUNCIL

In January a Council was formed for the unifying of the work of the three Congregational Woman's Foreign Missionary Boards, whose membership is to be 7 from the W. M. B. and the W. B. M. I. each, and 3 from the Woman's Board of the Pacific. Mrs. Ernest E. Evans was chosen as chairman of the Council for two years, and Mrs. W. W. Ferrier as one of the three vice-chairmen. The Council is to meet at least twice in the year; and is expected to bring about a closer cooperation between the three constituting boards.

The naval plan of Secretary Daniels calls for an expenditure of about five million dollars per day. The question is: Have England and the United States gone mad on war? The second question is: Are we the common people going to stand for such a waste of money?

SOME MORE ADDITIONS TO THE CHURCHES REPORTED FOR 1920.

Alturas	4	San Francisco—	
Benicia	12	First	145
Berkeley First	79	Mission	13
North	36	Ocean View	5
Dinuba	25	San Jose	24
Fresno, Japanese	21	San Mateo	25
Glen Ellen	20	San Rafel	8
Guerneville	8	Santa Cruz	32
Hayfork (New)	25	Sebastapol	80
Oakland First	90	Sonoma	15
Japanese	11	Suisun	8
Olivet	9	Sunnyvale	2
Oroville	37	Tulare	9
Palo Alto	26	Weaverville	55
Redwood City Spanish (New)	15	Woodside	1
Reedley (New)	26	Total	904
Ripon	5	Previously Reported	928
Sacramento	33	Total	1832

RELIGIOUS READING

In some states the Presbyterian churches use one Sunday of the year as "Religious Paper Day;" in which they advocate the policy of every Christian home taking at least one religious periodical; and on that day subscriptions are taken in the congregation. The fact is that there is too little good reading in most homes, and considerably less religious reading. Why would it not be well for us to adopt such a method, and on one Sunday of the year push the Pacific or the Congregationalist, or both?

THE INDIAN AND RELIGION

The Indian is a far more naturally religious person than the white man. One reason is because he is out on the plains, living the life of the open, the life of God's big world, under the free sky and on the broad prairie. The Indian is nearer the deep springs of life, and he realizes that back of them are eternal purposes and eternal love. And so perhaps it is not because he is of a different nature that he is naturally religious, but because he has the simpler surroundings. There is an instinctive spirit of religion in the Indian people.

I have never seen an Indian who was not a believer in God. Yet we think of going to the Indian as a heathen race. They have had God always, in their daily life. The God they believe in was the Great Spirit. When the Indian went out of the door of his

)ee in the morning, he said his prayer to the irit who sent the sun; when he smoked his pipe raised it to the four quarters of the globe and armured a prayer to the Spirit who sent him the od things of life. Most of the Indian dances that talk about had a religious significance. Religion nt along with the experiences of his life. God was ar by.

So the first thing I find in the soul of the Indian a very simple disposition to believe in God, to cept the concept of the spiritual back of the ma-rial.

NO EAST OR WEST

In Christ there is no East or West,
In him no South or North;
But one great fellowship of Love
Throughout the whole wide earth.

In him shall true hearts everywhere
Their high communion find;
His service is the golden cord
Close binding all mankind.

Join hands then, brothers of the faith,
What e'er your race may be;
Who serves my Father as a son
Is surely kin to me.

In Christ now meet both East and West,
In him meet South and North;
All Christly souls are one in him
Throughout the whole wide earth.

John Oxenham.

HERSELF A BRAVE SPIRIT

One of the joys of an editor's life is the privilege of ceiving such a letter as the following. It is from a oman, and by the trembly writing we judge it is om the hand of an elderly woman. She writes:

"For some time I have delayed renewing my sub-ription fearing my failing eyesight would prevent y reading any paper at all. But finally I decided to ntinue, the print is so easy to read and I like the acific so much.

"If I fail more seriously, I will transfer the paper one who does not take it. I wish you every success r the coming year. I am proud of the brave spirit at can "carry on" amid some adverse circumstances id shall stand by until greater prosperity comes to ir churches in California." M. S. S.

WAYSIDE NOTES

Rev. Harold S. Tuttle who was formerly pastor of e San Francisco Bethany church is now Professor Education at the Pacific University. Forest Grove regon. He is conducting a course in Moral Train-g during the second semester of the college to hich all parents and teachers are invited as "spe-al students." Among the titles of lectures he is ving are the following: Temptations of a complex ociety; When does a child become morally responsi-e; The moral value of punishment; The gang; he culture of loyalty; Suiting method to age.

The Berkeley Daily Gazette has been running some articles written by the former editor of the Pacific, Rev. W. W. Ferrier, upon the early history of the University of California. Dr. Ferrier has made a special study of the early days in this State, and with his genius for accuracy and his patience in investigation has invaribly turned out material of great worth.

The Pacific University at Forest Grove, Oregon, is to have six new professorships next year by order of the Board of Trustees; this will bring the faculty up to twenty in addition to the conservatory teachers and will enable the school to give a thorough high-grade cultural college course. Religious Education is to be made a full department, as also is journalism, public speaking, and physical training. Additional courses are provided in geology, astronomy, history and political science. This school stands second among American colleges in the relative number of missionaries sent out.

Rev. George H. DeKay sailed for the Hawaiian Islands on February 17 to enter upon his pastorate there. The many friends of Mrs. DeKay will rejoice to know that she has recovered very nicely from a recent operation. She and her daughter Mary will soon follow Mr. DeKay into the land of sunshine and service.

In spite of all the Roman Catholic propaganda, in this country, the sober sense of all true Americans is that in the matter of Ireland and the British Empire we should mind our own business and keep our finger out of that pie. And that is what Uncle Sam is going to do.

A public school teacher recently hesitated to take a class in a Sunday school, for fear she might lose her job. It is said that some school boards refuse to allow their employees to do any church work. We wonder if any American communities would stand for that kind of tyranny.

Mr. Webb of the San Francisco Bar Association appeared before the Monday Club with an appeal in the matter of the re-call of two police judges, Oppenheimer and Sullivan. He said, "Justice is actually bought and sold like common merchandise; when such a thing comes to pass the foundations of our civilization are crumbling. One man guilty and convicted of a crime against a little girl bought himself off from a rightful imprisonment by the payment of $40." The amount of money paid in various cases depended upon the wealth or poverty of the offender.

Secretary Swartz says that with one exception the Southern Conference of California is the largest per capita giver on the apportionment. That one exception is New Jersey.

Dr. Tallmon Sargent, for many years a resident of China, is willing to visit churches and speak upon the Chinese famine, provided her expenses are met and a collection is taken for the Famine Fund.

We reported last month that the Conference Board of Trustees had recommended that the minimum salary for our churches should in no case be less than

$1200 and free house. Since then a report comes from the National Council Commission on the "State of the Minister," to the effect that no salary should be less than $1500 and free house. Of all the churches in Northern California, about eighteen fall below the $1200 minimum.

WHAT THEY ARE PREACHING ABOUT

Rev. Charles S. Price of Lodi; "Thy Kingdom come;" and "The lost chord."

Rev. E. Alonzo King of San Jose; "A runaway slave ship, and what came out of it;" and "The romantic adventure of the Christian missionary in the Orient."

Rev. T. Hector Dodd of Pacific Grove; "The great God in the hands of man;" and "Faith mightier than fire."

Rev. Charles L. Kloss of Plymouth Oakland: "Conscience and the day's work;" and "Our mistakes; what they teach us."

Rev. Harvey V. Miller of Sacramento; "How can I have spiritual success;" and "Can it be true that my child is really a stranger to me."

Rev. A. P. Orth of Alturas; "The fulness of time, or why did not Jesus come sooner;" and "The first visit of Jesus to the city and how he behaved himself."

BOOKS RECEIVED

"Public Opinion and Theology." By Bishop Francis John McConnell. The Earl Lectures of the Pacific School of Religion. 209 pages. The Abingdon Press, N. Y.

"Religion and Business" by Roger W. Babson. President of the Babson Statistical Organization. 221 pages. $1.50. The MacMillan Company, New York.

The Synagogue provides the Jewish child with 335 hours of religious instruction during the year. The Catholic church provides 200 hours. The Protestant church provides only 24 hours, and then the child is absent half of the time.

REACTIONS

"The paper is small of stature, but like David it is a Prince and mighty."—G. E. A.

"Your editorial on the 'Movies ridiculing Protestantism' is worth the year's subscription; thank God, you are awake."—Mrs. C. S.

Among our valued exchanges is the Pacific, an excellent journal published for seventy years by our Congregational friends.—The Pacific Unitarian.

"Let me give you my hand in congratulation on what you are doing with the Pacific."—C. H. H.

PRINTING PRESS—for church school or pastor; 9x13 press, standard type; new condition. Price $100. Pastor's widow in need. Write to Rev. Wm. H. Youngman, Loomis, Calif., for particu'ars.

President Wilson has recently remarked that "the Bolsheviki is a violent and tyrannical minority, by no means representing the real desires and purposes of the Russian people."

SUPERINTENDENT'S CORNER

L. D. Rathbone, Supt. R. B. Dodge, Associate Supt

Ministers Salaries

At the February meeting of the trustees the following resolution was passed.

"Resolved that it be our purpose, that a minister on full time Service to the Congregational Churches of Northern California should receive a salary of not less than $1500.00 per year, with the addition of the free use of a house."

A Commission had previously been authorized "On the state of the Ministry" consisting of one layman from each association in the conference. This commission was requested to bring the above resolution to pass as "speedily as posible."

Annuity Fund

At the February meeting of the Directors of the California Home Missionary Society, it was voted to call the attention of all churches employing pastors with the assistance of the Society to the provision of the Pilgrim Annuity Fund for an adequate retiring pension at the age of sixty five, and to urge upon all such churches the participation of the church with the pastor in the advantages of the fund. it shall be necessary the Society will share with the church in the proportion that should be paid by the church, and in the proportion that the Society assists in the pastor's salary.

Spring Meetings of the Associations

Miss Stella M. Jordan, a worker with the Education Society, is making a trip of the coast states this spring. She will be in California to attend the meeting of the Southern California Conference Bakersfield in May. With this exception the remainder of the month will be spent in Northern California. The superintendents desire to arrange for a sequence of the meetings of the Spring Associations so that Miss Jordan may visit them in turn. In planning your programs would you kindly confer with the office as to time and program.

Decision Day or Forward Step Day?

In the January number of the Church School, the suggestion is made that the Church School have "Forward Step Day," rather than, "Decision Day." Might it not be a good thing to carry this out in the whole church. Some of the Advance Steps suggested in this article, and that were actually made by pupils are: "I am going to be a Christian so that the boys will know it." "I am not going to swear any more." "I am going to stop quarreling at home." "I am going to stop swearing at my mother." "I am not going to cheat at School." "I am going to grow as Jesus grew." "I want to be like Mr.....(Name of Teacher)."

How many more there might be. Old as well as young could use the idea. The Conference office has printed a supply of cards plain white with a little Easter cut on them, which may be used for this purpose. How many shall we send you?

Mary Garden, the movie-star, says: "I hope the whole world goes dry; it will be a good thing for the world."